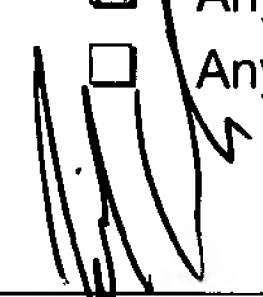
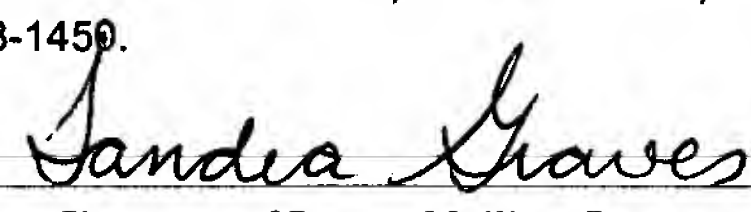


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RESPONSE

Sir:

This is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 3, 2003 in the above-identified application. This response is believed to be timely filed, however, authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0369 in connection with any fees for extension of time that are necessary to permit entry of this response.

Please consider the remarks set forth herein below.